

## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

## EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting one nomination which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

## MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

AT 11:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to the provisions of section 806(c)(1) of Public Law 104-132, the Speaker appoints the following member on the part of the House to the Commission on the Advancement of Federal Law Enforcement to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Mr. Robert E. Sanders of Florida.

## ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 2:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1065. An act to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments.

H.R. 3565. An act to amend Part L of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 8. A bill to reauthorize and amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Liability, and Compensation Act of 1980, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-192).

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 172. A resolution congratulating President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga and the people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on the celebration of 50 years of independence.

S. Res. 188. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Israeli membership in a United Nations regional group.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Charles H. Dolan, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2000. (Reappointment)

William Joseph Burns, of Pennsylvania, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

## Federal Campaign Contribution Report

Nominee: William J. Burns.

Post: Ambassador to Jordan.

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: William J. Burns, none.
2. Spouse: Lisa A. Carty, none.
3. Children: Elizabeth and Sarah Burns, none.

4. Parents: William F. Burns, \$100, 1996, Republican National Committee; Margaret C. Burns, none.

5. Grandparents: William H. and Eleanor Burns (deceased); John and Mary Cassidy (deceased).

6. Brothers and spouses: John R. and Ann Davis Burns, none; Robert P. and Vicki Burns, none.

7. Sisters and spouses: Mark E. and Jennifer Burns, none.

Ryan Clark Crocker, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Syrian Arab Republic.

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Post: Ambassador to Syrian Arab Republic.

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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: none.
2. Spouse: Christine Barns Crocker, none.
3. Children and spouses: none.
4. Parents: Carol Crocker, none; Howard Crocker (deceased).
5. Grandparents: All deceased since 1926.
6. Brothers and spouses: none.
7. Sisters and spouses: none.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

(The nominations ordered to lie on the Secretary's desk were printed in the RECORD of March 26, 1998 and April 22, 1998, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

In the Foreign Service nominations beginning Alexander Almasov, and ending James Hammond Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the RECORD of March 26, 1998

In the Foreign Service nominations beginning Joan E. La Rosa, and ending Morton J. Holbrook, III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the RECORD of March 26, 1998

In the Foreign Service nominations beginning Michael Farbman, and ending Mary C. Pendleton, which nominations were received

by the Senate and appeared in the RECORD of April 22, 1998

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. GRAMS:

S. 2091. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure medicare reimbursement for certain ambulance services, and to improve the efficiency of the emergency medical system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SMITH of Oregon (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S. 2092. A bill to promote full equality at the United Nations for Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 2093. A bill to provide class size demonstration grants; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. BURNS, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. GORTON, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. THOMAS):

S. Res. 232. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate that the European Union should waive the penalty for failure to use restitution subsidies for barley to the United States and ensure that restitution or other subsidies are not used for similar sales in the United States and that the President, the United States Trade Representative, and the Secretary of Agriculture should conduct an investigation of and report on the sale and subsidies; to the Committee on Finance.

## STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. GRAMS:

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## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EFFICIENCY ACT OF 1998

Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I rise this morning on behalf of all those who serve their fellow citizens through their active participation in the Nation's emergency care system to introduce the Emergency Medical Services Act.

Mr. President, as a Senator who is deeply concerned about the ever-expanding size and scope of the Federal Government, I have long believed Washington is too big, too clumsy and too removed to deal effectively with many of the issues in which it already meddles.

However, I also believe there's an overriding public health interest in ensuring a viable, seamless, nationwide